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FORTNIGHTLY

CONTROL ZONE

Hey, Boomers!

I thought a cheese sandwich had been left in the office until I remembered the Free scent-sational Scratch 'n' Sniff Sticker on the cover!

For a kick-off this issue sees three stories reach a conclusion. Plus - due to huge demand - there's a double dose of Sonic stories. Amazingly enough, the humes-who-think-they're-in-charge have taken notice of your pleas so read on ...

There's a scent of danger for Sonic in the final episode of Return of Chaotix! Sonic finds himself up against another mighty menace in the Odour Zone! Can it really be the end of the road for Knuckles in the final installment of The Graveyard? Who nose the outcome of Sonic's World? Find out in the finale of Brute Force!

Not to be sniffed at is the UKCAC(UK Comic Art Convention) photo special from last October, where you Boomers got to meet the STC team in the gruesome flesh! Well, there's another one due to take place in London on 3 March ...

Finally, get in the swim with STC's fishy Chopper Badnik pin-up, and practice air guitar in preparation for the Beavis & Butt-Head Q-Zone.

Anyway, I'm off dear Boomers ... and so is that cheese sandwich!

Megadroid

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MEGA DRIVE

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| 1 | ● | FIFA SOCCER '96 |
| 2 | NEW | PREMIER MANAGER |
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| 3 | ↓ | ETERNAL CHAMPIONS |
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| 7 | ↑ | WORLD CUP USA '94 |
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| 3 | ↓ | JAMES POND 2 - ROBOCOD |
| 4 | ↑ | THE LION KING |
| 5 | ● | STREETS OF RAGE |
| 6 | ● | ECCO THE DOLPHIN |
| 7 | ↓ | SONIC THE HEDGEHOG 2 |
| 8 | ● | SONIC THE HEDGEHOG |
| 9 | ● | DESERT STRIKE |
| 10 | NEW | STAR WARS |

GAME GEAR

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SONIC

THE HEDGEHOG

The Return of Chaotix

Part 6

Script: NIGEL KITCHING

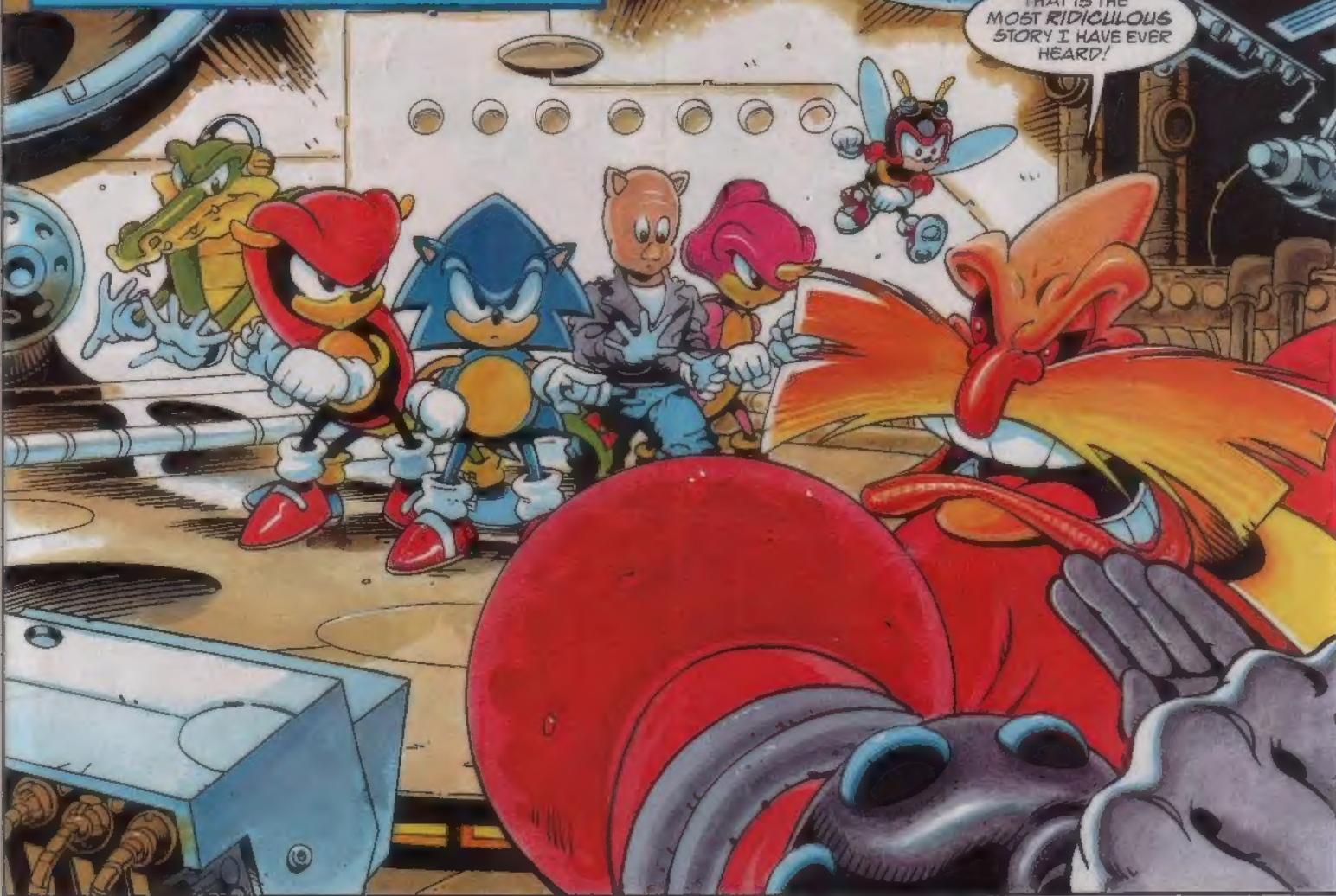
Art: RICHARD ELSON

Lettering: JULIA DE VILLE

SONIC HAS RETURNED FROM HIS TIME TRAVELLING MISSION IN THE PAST.

HE NOW KNOWS THAT THE KEY TO DESTROYING THE BROTHERHOOD OF METALLIX IS DOCTOR ROBOTNIK.

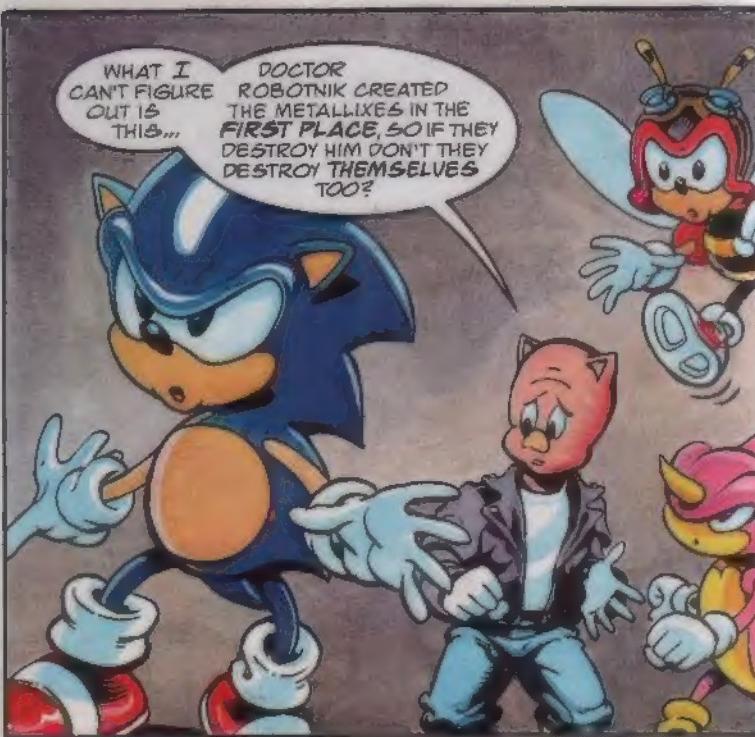
THAT IS THE MOST RIDICULOUS STORY I HAVE EVER HEARD!



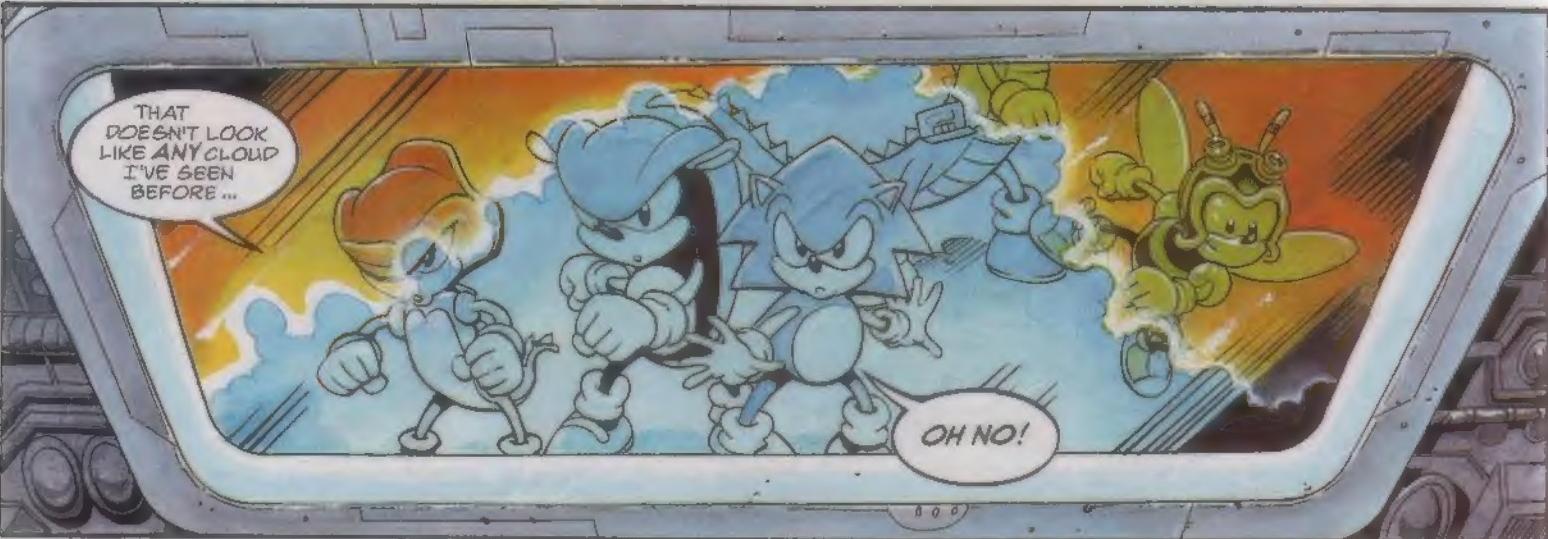
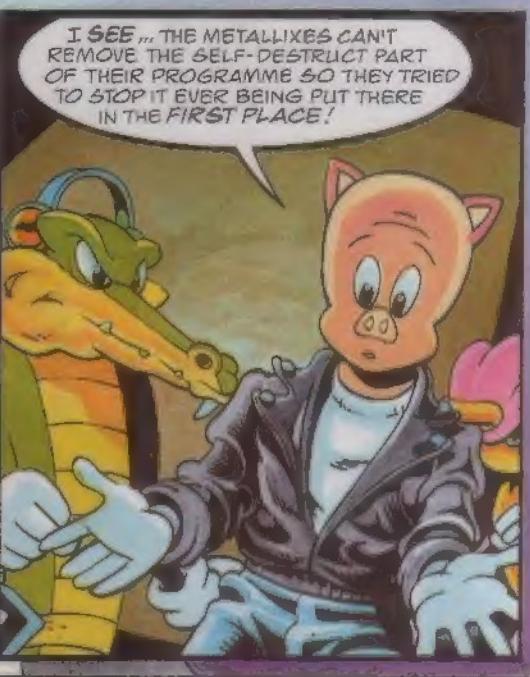
IT'S TRUE ALL RIGHT, LARD BELLY!

THE METALLIXES WENT INTO THE PAST TO STOP YOU EVER BEING CREATED! SO YOU MUST KNOW SOMETHING THAT THEY'RE AFRAID OF!

WHAT I CAN'T FIGURE OUT IS THIS... DOCTOR ROBOTNIK CREATED THE METALLIXES IN THE FIRST PLACE, SO IF THEY DESTROY HIM DON'T THEY DESTROY THEMSELVES TOO?



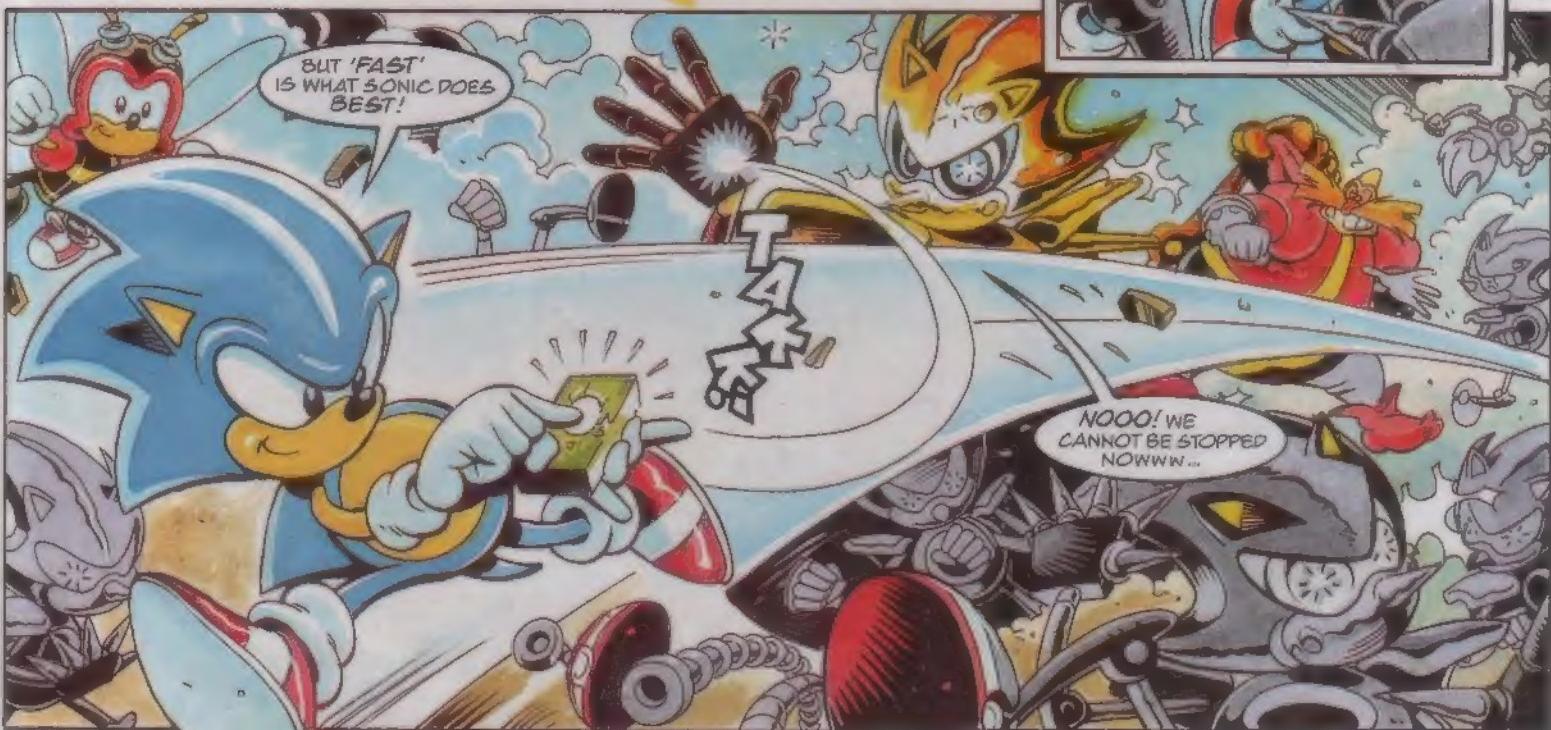


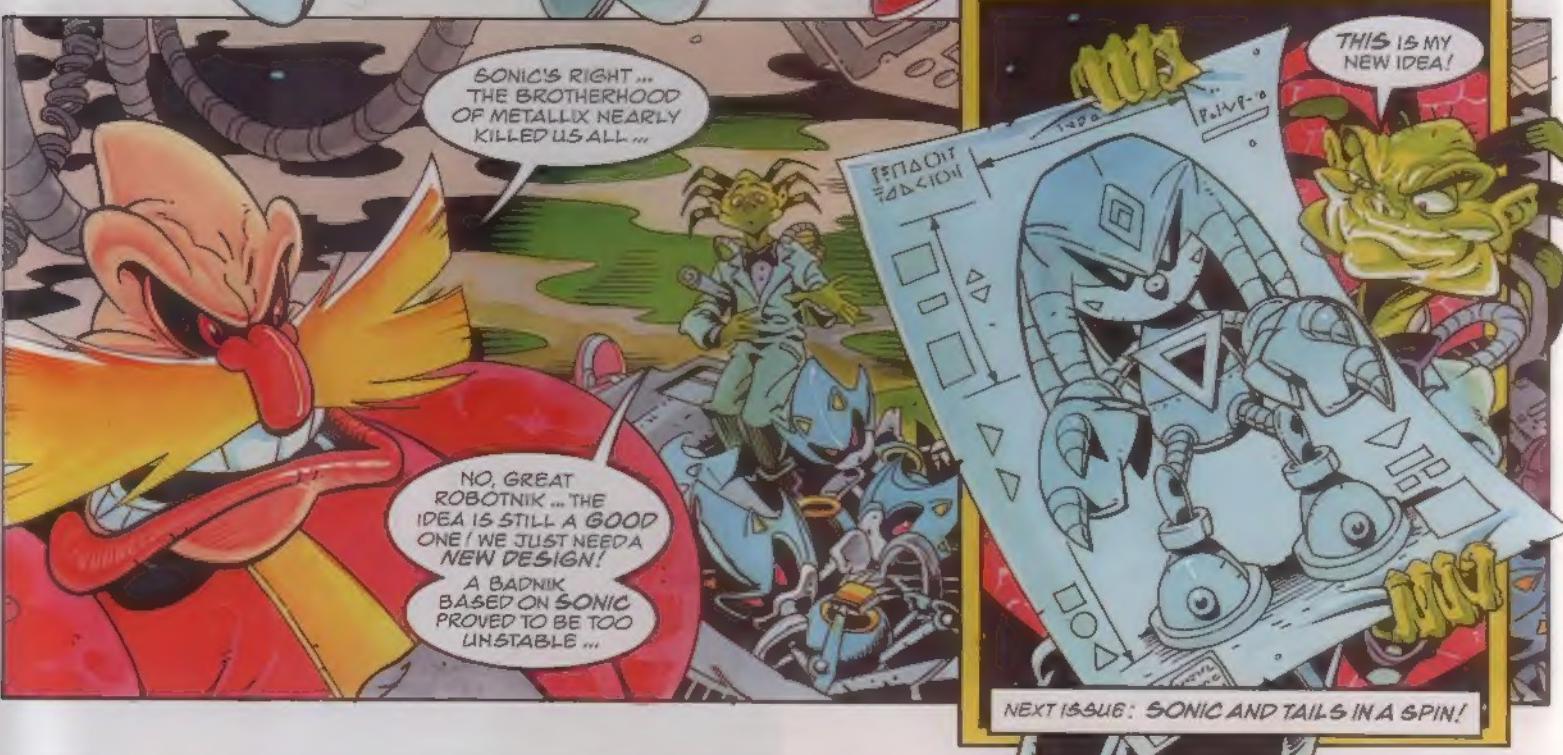


BLOTTING
OUT THE SUN ...
METALLIXES ...
THOUSANDS
OF THEM!









UKCAC

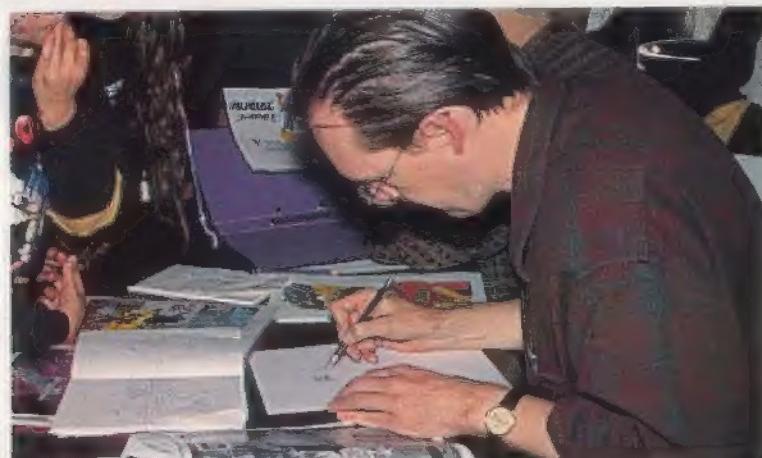
STC'S CREW EXPOSED! ZONE

A fantastic time was had at the UK Comic Art Convention (UKCAC), held last October in London. Thank you to the hoards of Boomers who turned up to meet the STC team in the gruesome flesh (special thanks must go to Linda and Nyla Mehdi who had travelled overnight on the coach from Edinburgh!).

Artists created STC sketches on request and script writers were kept on their toes with quick-fire questions; even the humes-who-think-they're-in-charge were put to work (for a change!). Check out the photos taken on the day, but be warned ... the event was such a success - it's all going to happen again!



Richard Elson, Sonic artist extraordinaire!



Nigel 'the Comic' Kitching.



The Right Honourable Carl Flint.

Mark 3.00pm, Sunday, 3 March in your diaries and trek off to the Institute of Education, Bedford Way, London WC1. There's FREE entry (for the STC event only), provided adult-humes are accompanied by children!

The panel will once again include Nigel Dobbyn, Richard Elson, Carl Flint, Nigel Kitching, Lew Stringer and Steve White.



Nigel Dobbyn, knuckles busting

Steve the great' White Ecco a fist



And-forsome more



Please do not feed the artists

Design Draft Gary Knight

If you can't make it along, try your and enter the Name The Artist Competition on the following page (incidentally, the 'mystery' artist will also be at UKCAC).



STC's ed grabs potential reader, Siobhan Fagan - (who was just passing!).

* Parents/adults/minders please note:-

The STC event is just part of the UK Comic Art Convention which will be a two day event featuring comics of all types and for all ages. For the convention in general, children

Under 14 years are admitted free, provided they're accompanied by an adult (who is to get £10 per day).

Opposite the Institute of Education is the Royal National Hotel where you'll find dozens of stalls featuring comics to buy and sell. Guests, writers and artists from across the world also host signings and talks.

Please note that neither Sonic The Comic or Fleetway Editions Limited has anything to do with the organisation of the main convention.

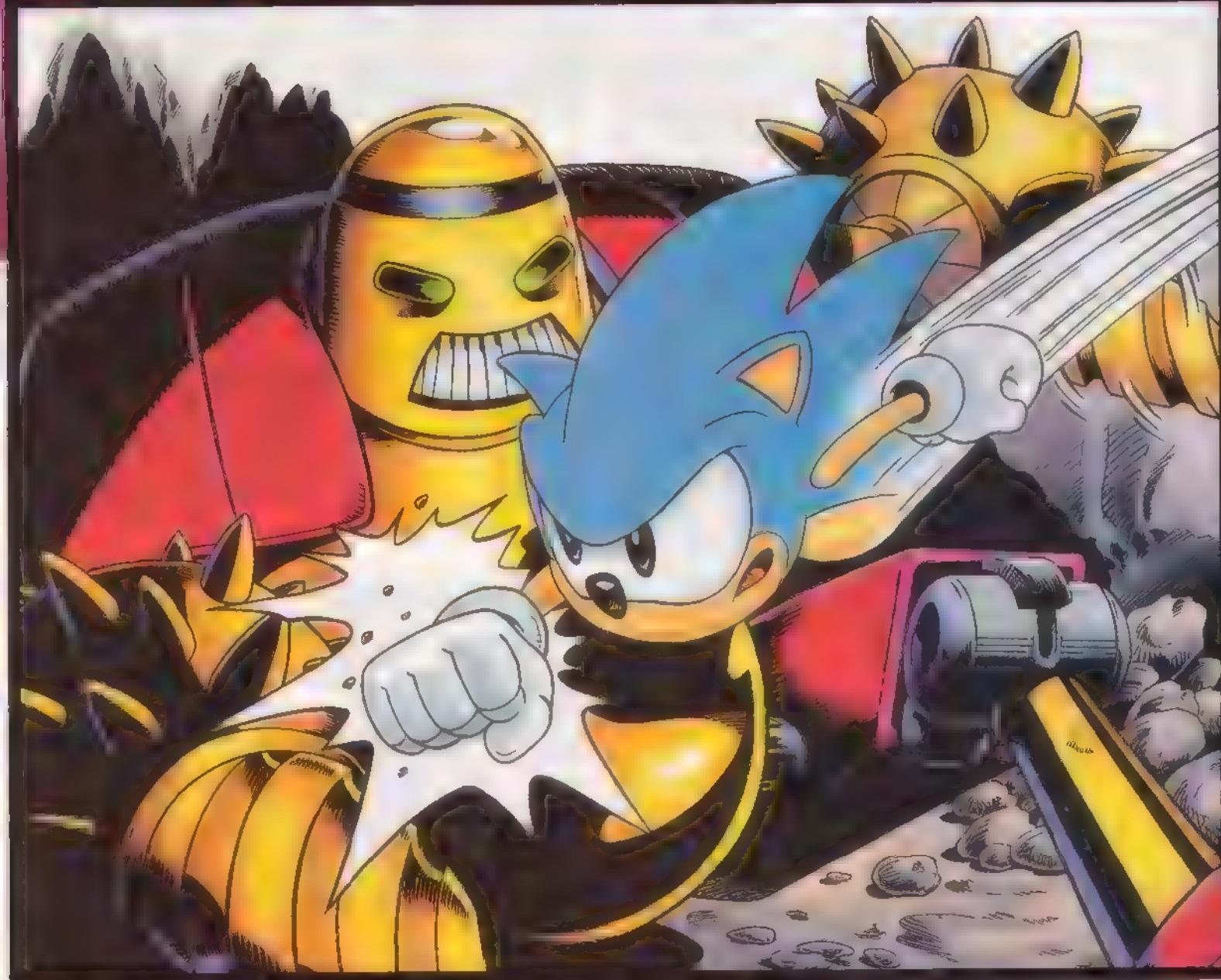
If you have any queries, please contact e-mail number 101345,2422@compuserve.com



See over... ➤

NAME THE ARTIST COMPETITION

WIN EXCLUSIVE ORIGINAL ARTWORK



► Continued

How would you like to own a page of original Sonic artwork? All you have to do to enter the Name The Artist Competition is simply answer the following question:-

Name the STC artist who drew the page above?
(clue: he/she hasn't been mentioned in this feature - but will be at the forthcoming convention).

Next, write your answer clearly on a postcard or sealed down envelope and post it to:-

**Name The Artist Compo
Sonic The Comic
25-31 Tavistock Place
London WC1H 9SU**

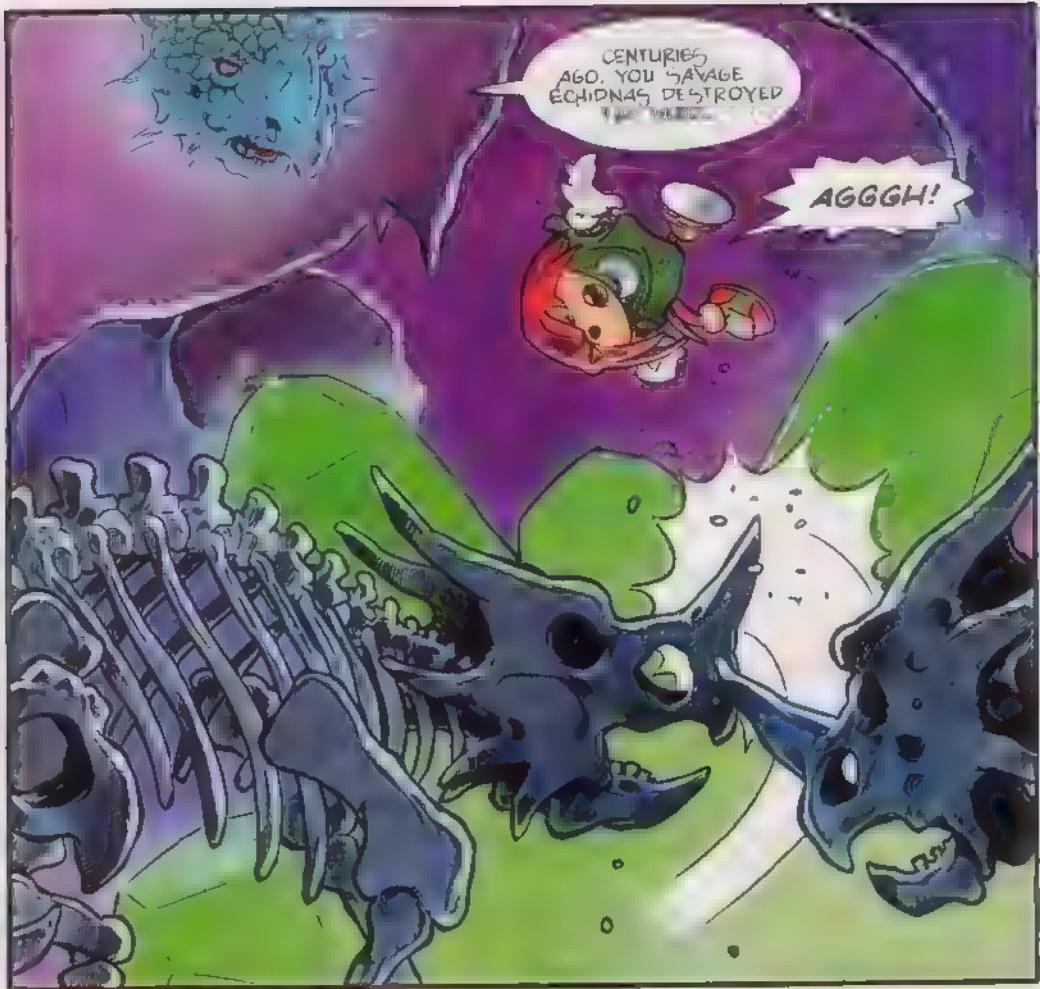
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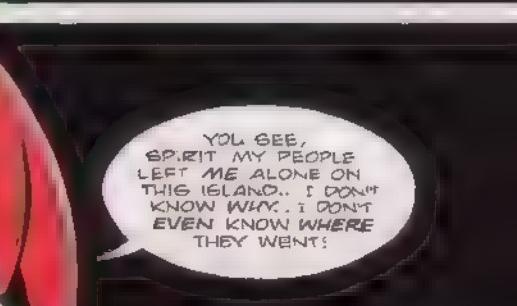
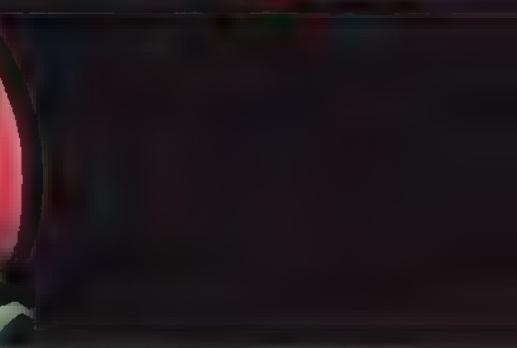
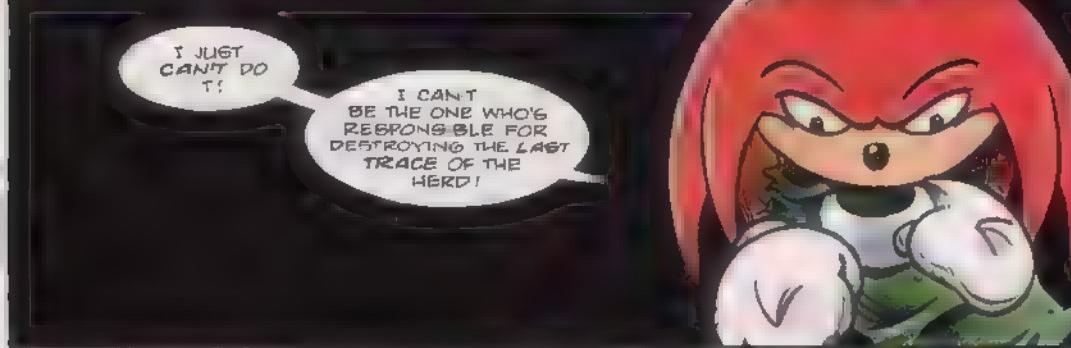
The first correct entry pulled from Megadroid's oil can will win the artwork kindly donated by the mystery artist). The Editor's decision is final, and no correspondence can be entered into.

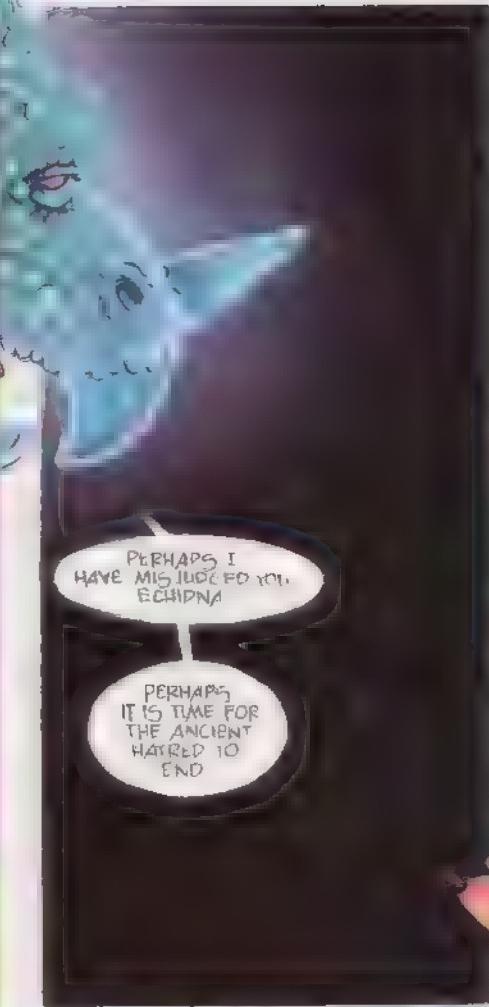


The END









I MUST
HAVE BEEN AN
AMAZING SIGHT.
HUNDREDS OF KOHENTU
ROAMING THE VALLEY
IN PEACE...

I ONLY
HOPE WHEN MY
PEOPLE FINALLY
RETURN TO THE
FLOATING ISLAND,
THEY HAVE
LEARNED THEIR
LESSON.

NEXT ISSUE: THE NEW MASTER EMERALD!

PLANET MOBIUS TROUBLE COMES A CALLING
AT THE MOST UNEXPECTED MOMENTS.

BBBRRMM! Odour Zone

WHAT ON MOBIUS
WAS THAT?

HOP FOR YOUR LIVES!
SOMETHING'S TEARING
THROUGH THE FOREST!

FORTUNATELY THERE'S ALWAYS A COOL BLUE HEDGEHOG AROUND WHEN YOU NEED HIM

WHAT'S
GOING ON?
HAS PORKER
LEWIS BEEN
OUT JOGGING
AGAIN?

WORSE, SONIC!
SOMETHING'S
BEEN TRASHING
EVERYTHING IN
ITS PATH!

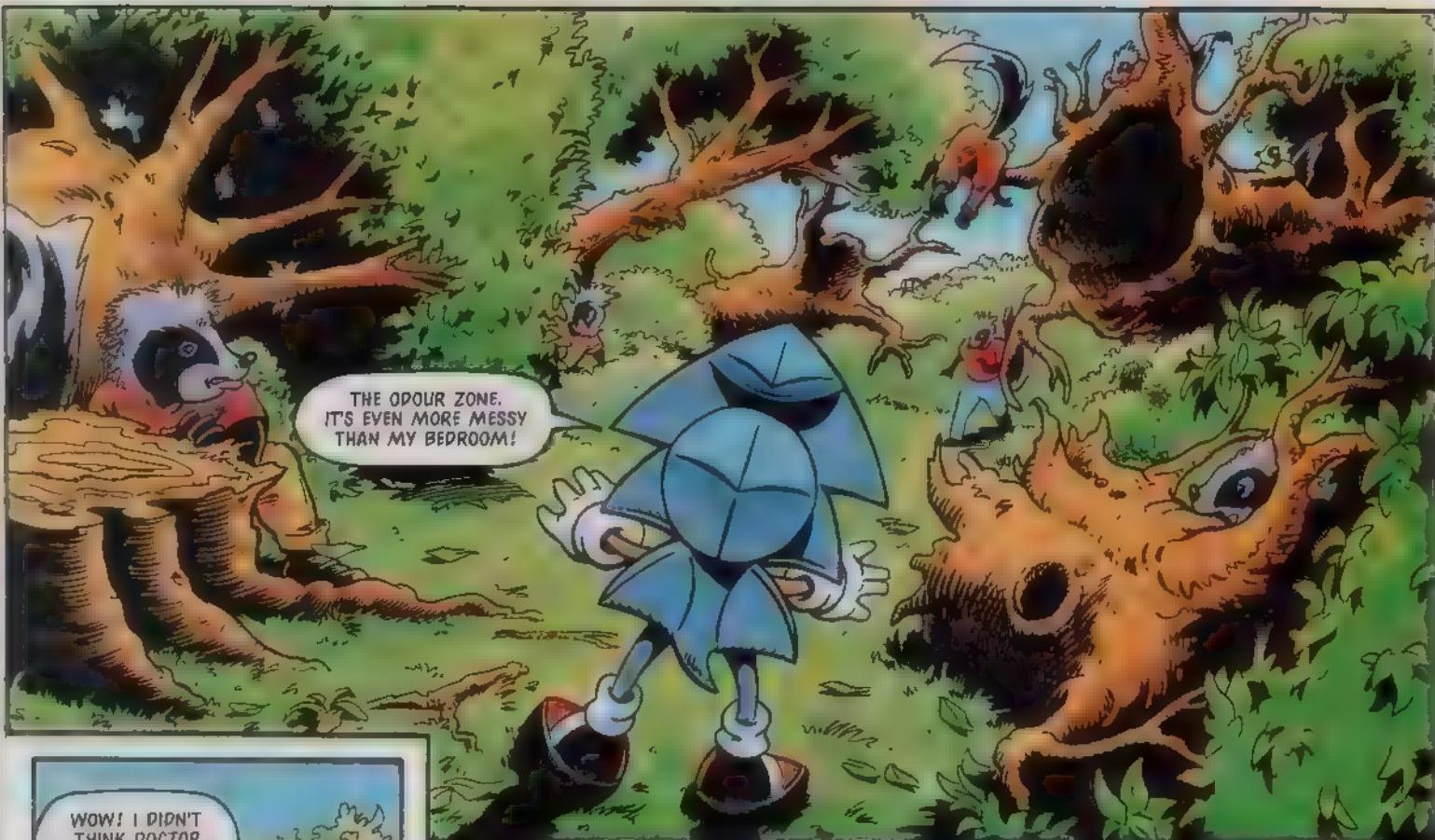
SMELLS TO ME LIKE THE WORK OF
BAD-EGG DOCTOR ROBOTNIK. I'LL CHECK
IT OUT, TAILS. . . YOU STAY HERE AND
HELP CLEAN UP.

THANKS A
BUNCH!

DON'T MENTION
IT, PAL! CATCH
YOU LATER!

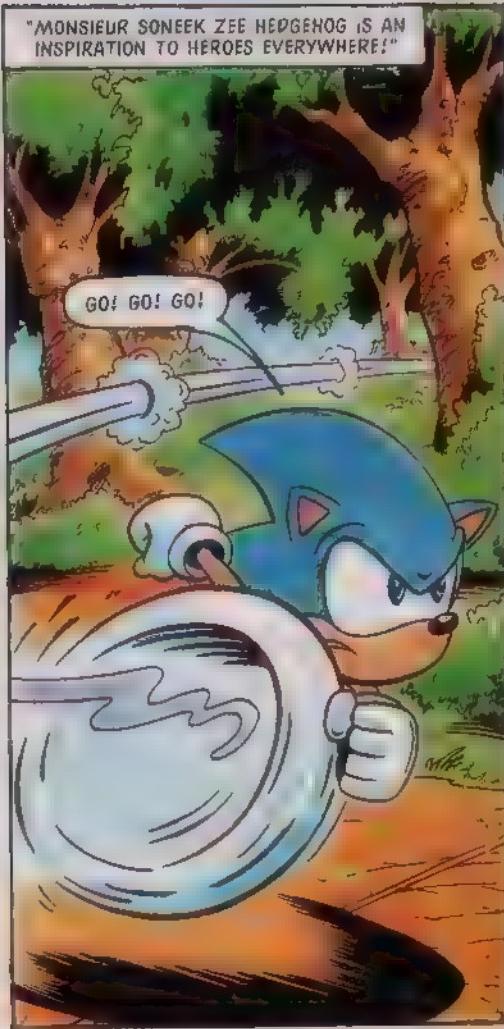
LOOKS LIKE THIS PATH IS HEADING FOR THE
HEART OF THE ODOUR ZONE! MAYBE THOSE
DUDES IN THE UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT
CAN SHED SOME LIGHT ON THIS

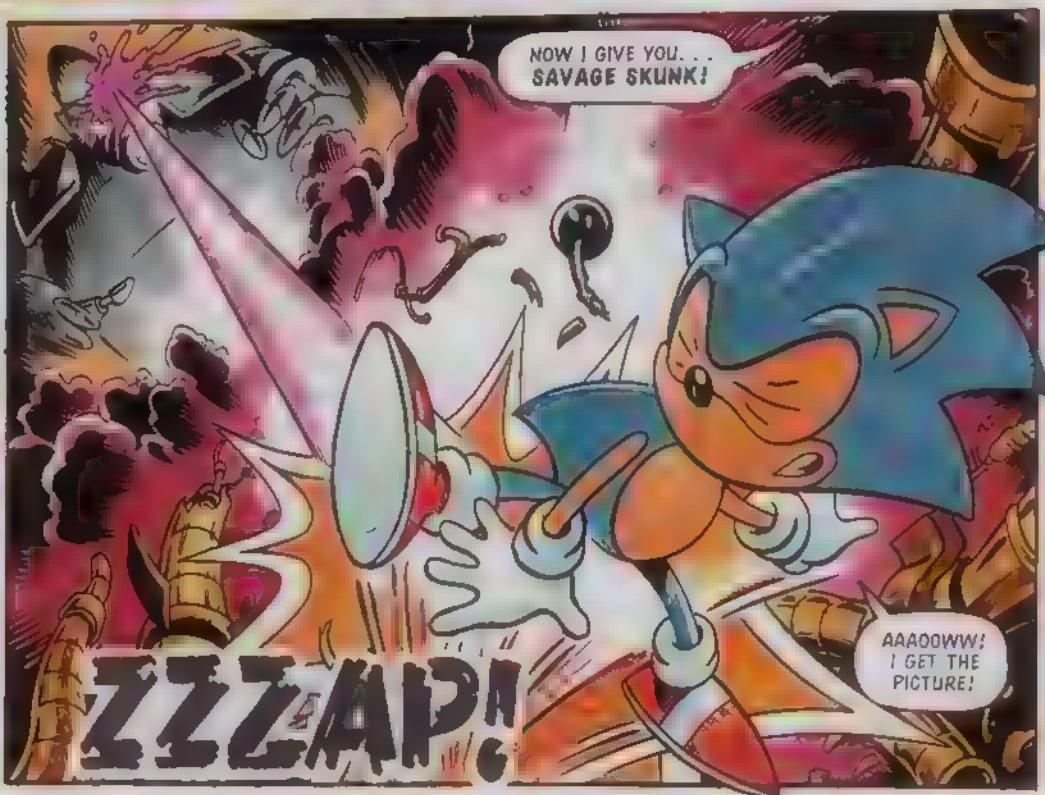
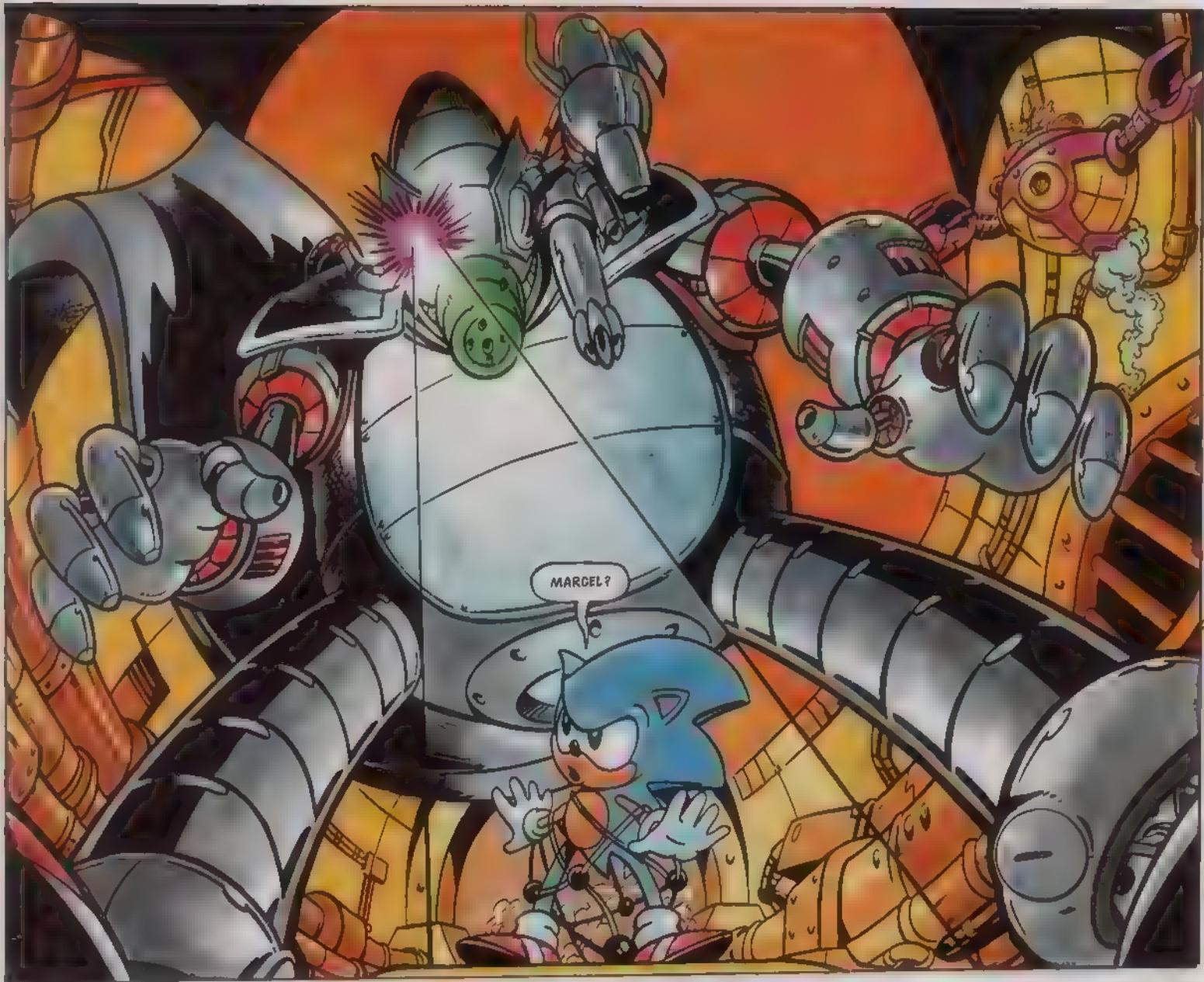
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PIXELS!

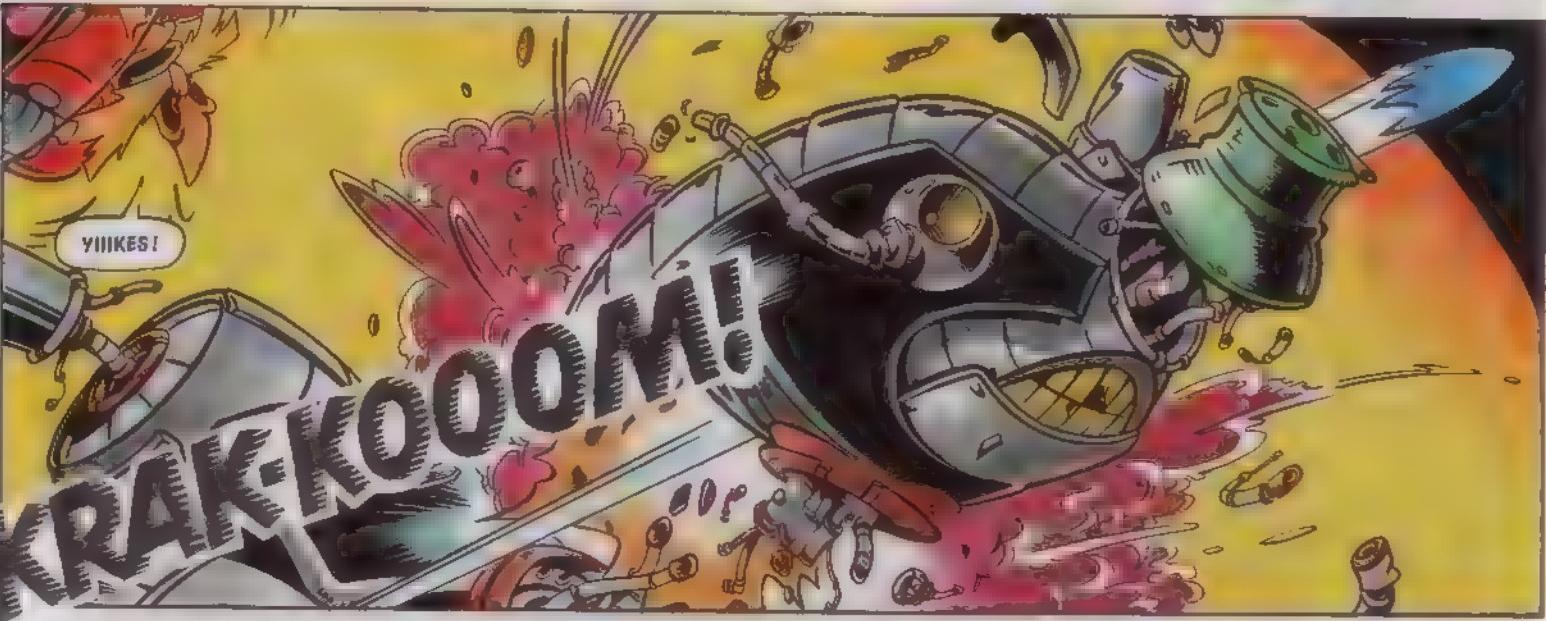


"OUR LEADER, ZEE GREAT MARCEL SKUNK WAS CAUGHT BY ROBOTNIK'S EVIL BADNIKS WHEN HE TRIED TO SABOTAGE ZEE DOCTOR'S LAB."









Z KAFF KAFF! WHAT HAPPENED? THE SMOKE FROM THE EXPLOSION... I CAN'T SEE!

YOU'LL SEE STARS WHEN WE'VE FINISHED WITH YOU, ROBOTNIK!

I MIGHT BE MAD, BAD AND DANGEROUS TO KNOW, BUT I'M NOT MESSING WITH THOSE TWO!

SACRE BLEU! HOW CAN WE EVER SANK YOU, SONEEK? WERE IT NOT FOR YOU, I, MARGEL, WOULD BE A SLAVE OF ZEE EVIL ROBOTNIK

I COULDN'T LEAVE YOU IN THE HANDS OF AN EVEN BIGGER SKUNK, NOW COULD I?

THE END

OZONE

Q IS FOR QUESTION
Q IS FOR QUIET
Q IS FOR QUADRANT

If you want to enter the Q Zone for hints, tips and help with your favourite SEGA games, drop a line to:
Q ZONE, SONIC THE COMIC, 25-31 TAVISTOCK PLACE, LONDON, WC1H 9SU.



Chris Jones head-butts the Q Zone into action!

BEAVIS AND BUTT-HEAD



SPECIAL Part 2

WARNING: THIS GAME IS NOT SUITABLE FOR YOUNGER READERS.



HOSPITAL

Check into the sick room by eating the hamburger near the dumpster at Burce J. D. Jim's office. The examination table - take the ray gun and then go into the corridor and steal Bill, Boos' shooter. Avoid all the trash cans until you go down a flight of steps. Beavis' body fat won't let him run and give him a ticket piece.

THE STREET

Go to the end of the street, down the manhole and into the sewers; at the end of the sewers is a junk yard and beyond that is a bone. Get the bone and make your way back to the houses. Go to the second house and shoot the man on his lawnmower with the pea shooter. Now pick up the key. Give the bone to the dog and go to the shed and pick up the fishing rod and chainsaw. Prune Mr's tree with the chainsaw to find a bird's nest with a ticket piece in it.

HIGH SCHOOL

Go to Mr Van Driessen's room (which has a peace symbol on the door), and pick up the gum under his desk. Visit Mr Buzzcut and belch on him to enable you to steal two small chemical bottles. Now visit Mr McVickers' office and drop the bottles; they will stun him and allow you to get the ticket piece in his room.

See over... ➤





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DRIVE-IN

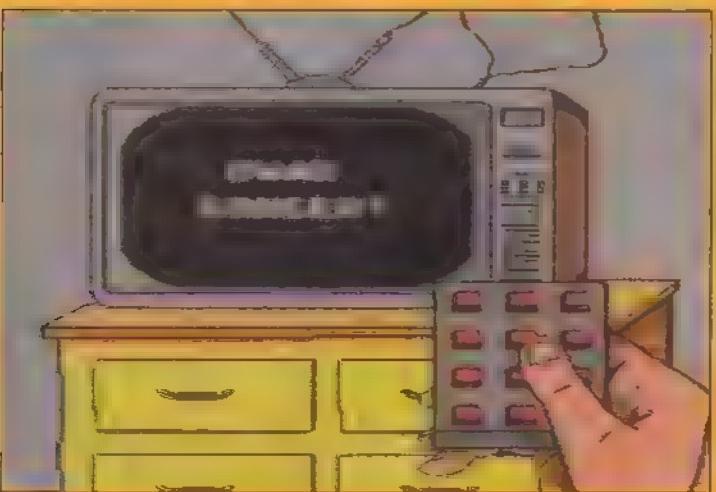
To gain entry, you need \$3.00: the bomb from the Army recruitment office at the Turbo Mart and the camera. Once there, drop the bomb in the food stand to make it go off, get Bitt Head to drop it, pick it up and wait... Or sit in the cars to see which one is rocking. Take a photo of the rocking car and you'll be chased by a woman. Run and jump your way back to the food stand where she will fall and give up a key piece.

FISHING

Use the fishing rod and bait to fish for goodies. The piece of gum found at the school will catch the last CHAIR ticket piece.

LOST CONCERT

Enter the rock concert. Enter either through the front or the backstage entrance. Go for the latter to truly complete the game. Use the machine gun to beat off the security guards and the scissors from the



GO TO TETTO
AND TAKE THE
GATE STICKY NOTES AND
DECOMBINE THEM

READ THE OLD TURMOIL CARD
AND DRAKE COULD WIN THE CHAIR TICKET
DO



CHAIR TICKET MORE MEGA DRIVE GAMES

END

COMIC WORLD
Brute Force

Script: Lew Stringer Art: Carl Flint
Coloring: Bonnie Cox Lettering: Steve Potter

EVIL ROBOT BRUTUS, SECOND IN COMMAND TO DOCTOR ROBOTNIK HAS DISCOVERED THE LOCATION OF THE EMERALD HILL FOLK AND NOW PLANS TO ATTACK THEM

THEY'RE ON THE FLOATING ISLAND! PREPARE AN INVASION FORCE

YES, COMMANDER

HOW DID YOU FIND OUT? I NEVER TOLD YOU!

IT WAS EASY! I USED MY MIND SCANNER TO ABSORB A COPY OF YOUR BRAIN PATTERNS!

HOW SNEAKY!

NOW I KNOW SECRETS EVEN ROBOTNIK IS NOT AWARE OF WHICH MAKES ME THE MOST POWERFUL INDIVIDUAL ON THE PLANET!

MEANWHILE, AT CITADEL ROBOTNIK THE OTHER MOST POWERFUL INDIVIDUAL ON THE PLANET IS FAR FROM HAPPY.

GRIMER! ANY NEWS OF COMMANDER BRUTUS YET?

N-NO, DOCTOR! WE CAN'T TRACE HIM!

BRUTUS HAS BECOME TOO DISOBEDIENT! IT'S TIME I GAVE HIM A PIECE OF MY MIND!

ER... YOU ALREADY DID THAT, SIR, WHEN YOU PROGRAMMED HIM WITH YOUR PERSONALITY!

LEGS OF YOUR CHEEK, GRIMER! BRUTUS IS UP TO SOMETHING...I CAN SENSE IT!

SURE ENOUGH

YOU'RE PLANNING TO TURN AGAINST ROBOTNIK?

YES, BUT DON'T GET YOUR HOPES UP, OUT-LAW! I DON'T PLAN ON BEING A HERO!

WHEN I ATTACK THE FLOATING ISLAND, PEOPLE WILL FEAR ME! THEY'LL LOSE RESPECT FOR ROBOTNIK AND I WILL BE THE NEW RULER OF MOBIUS

SOMEHOW I GET THE FEELING THAT WON'T BE A GOOD THING FOR ANY OF US!



THE
COMMANDER
HAS GONE
MAD!

WE MUST
RELIEVE HIM
OF DUTY!

YOU
GOONS DON'T
STAND A
CHANCE!

FRAAM!

NO!
WHAT AM I
DOING?

GOT TO...
REVERSE THE
PROCESS! WIPE OUT
ALL TRACE OF THAT
RABBIT'S THOUGHTS!
AARRGH!

THIS
DEVICE IS TOO
DANGEROUS TO USE
AGAIN!

IT
MUST BE THE
EFFECTS OF THE
MIND SCANNER!
I TOOK A COPY OF
LIGHTFOOT'S MIND,
BUT ALSO
ABSORBED HIS
PERSONALITY!

CRUSHH!





SPEEDLINES

EITHER POST YOUR MAIL TO:-
SPEEDLINES, SONIC THE COMIC, 25/31 TAVISTOCK PLACE, LONDON WC1H 9SU.
... OR USE THE E-MAIL SERVICE (SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS).

SEEING RED!

Dear STC,

I am an angry Tails fan who is sick of seeing the most over-hyped character in Sega history ... Knuckles! The only way Tails ever gets featured is as a complete wimp, compared to you know who! You might as well change the title to KTC (Knuckles the Comic).
Sarah Rose, Walkden, Manchester.
MD Owner.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.


Thanks for the suggestion, Sarah ... I don't suppose you'll buy a copy of the Knuckles Special then? Look out for the next Tails adventure which begins next issue!



Tails in a rather fetching outfit!
Please write in with full address.

BOOMING MAD!

Dear Megadroid,

I had hoped that after the STC re-design, you would put an end to calling your readers 'Boomers'!

Ryan Bass, Milton Keynes.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



Well now Boomer Bass, STC's original editor-hume, Big Chief Burton, invented the phrase which came from 'Sonic Boom'. Dare I ask what you'd prefer STC readers to be called?

Does Sarah Rose (see left) know your full address?
Gemma Tibbs, Billericay, Essex.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



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PLUNDER CLAP!

Dear Megadroid,

A long time ago you said that Captain Plunder would be coming back! As this comic strip started back in STC 50, don't you think it's time he appeared? If it does happen I might just applaud STC!

Alex Hose, Langport, Somerset.
Sonic & Knuckles Camera Winner.



It just so happens, Alex that Captain Plunder returns in issue 74 for a brand new Knuckles story.

NEXT ISSUE ELF WARNING!



NEW
SERIES

SHINING FORCE!

NEW
STORY

TAILS!

FOX ON THE RUN!

AND

SONIC!

SPINBALL WIZARD!

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HOWDY DOODLES!

NUCKLES!

NEW MASTER EMERALD!

PHOTO ZONE!

MODEL BOOMERS!

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I'VE BEEN READING
STC SINCE ...

ISSUE

MY FAVOURITE ...

FILM/VIDEO IS

BAND/SINGER IS

MY SEGA SYSTEM ...

TICK:-

GG MCD MD
MM MS 32X
SATURN

SEGA GAME INTO STRIP!

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE

..... AS A COMIC STRIP IN STC.

THIS ISSUE'S
MEGA HITS!

1ST CHOICE

2ND CHOICE

3RD CHOICE

YOUR RATING FOR ISSUE 72



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